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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Docket No: 98-0052-01

In re Application of: M. Gong, et al. ]  
Serial No.: 09/191,446 ]  
Filed: November 12, 1998 ]  
Title: Fluorine Control System with ]  
Fluorine Monitor ]

Group Art Unit: 2874

Examiner: Unassigned

#### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant(s) wish(es) to bring documents to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. A form PTO-1449 listing these documents is enclosed.

In addition, citation of the above-referenced documents shall not be construed as:

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3. an admission that the information cited herein is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(b).

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks.

Respectfully submitted,



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